(8) (1) Inspector of Schools, Southern Division. (2) Fishery Inspector.

(9) 1. Fishery School, Narakkal—3 furlongs. 2. Fishery School, Chennamangalam—nearly half a mile. 3. Fishery School, Edavilangu—nearly half a mile. 4. Fishery School, Edacochi—half a mile. 5. Fishery School, Panambukad—nearly 2 miles.

St. Sebastian's M. S., Kanjur—particulars regarding.

300. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi).*—(a) Will the Government be pleased to make a report showing how difference of opinion arose between the Director of Public Instruction and the Manager, St. Sebastian's M. S., Kanjur, regarding the suppression of a division from that school and the consequent discharge of a teacher ;

(b) is it not a fact that the following order was sent by the Director cancelling the order of the Manager—

"K. P. Anthony, who was the teacher of class III B in the St. Sebastian's Malayalam School, Kanjur, and who was reverted to class II A consequent on the supression of class III B will be transferred as teacher, class III, St. Joseph's Malayam School, Thekkumbhagam, K. C. Ittira, the juniormost teacher in point of total service, being relieved. The present teachers of classes II B and I A of the Kanjur School will be promoted to classes II A and II B respectively and K. K. Joseph will be reappointed in class I A, his former class and Mr. Thirupad being allowed to continue in class I B" ;

(c) is there not a Circular by the Director of Public Instruction Dis. No. 1268 of 1108, dated 7th November 1932, which provides as follows :—

"The Inspecting Officers are informed that in future each aided school will be considered as a separate institution, promotion and reversion of one school being confined to the teachers of that institution" ;

(d) is not the order of the Director in (b) contrary to the provisions of the Circular referred to in (c) ;

(e) is there any Circular or Standing Order of the Government on which the Director's order in (b) is based ;

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(f) if so, will the Government publish the relevant portion of the Circular or Standing Order as appendix to this question ;

(g) if there is no Circular or Standing order to support the Director's order in (b), what is the justification for issuing such an order ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*— (a) There was no difference of opinion ; but it was a refusal on the part of the Manager to obey departmental orders. Class III B of the St. Sebastian's M. S., Kanjur, had to be abolished for want of strength. Before taking orders the Manager relieved K. K. Joseph who was the permanent teacher of class I A of the school and who had been selected for training at the Government Training Institution, Trichur. But Joseph was not the person to go out. There was one junior to him in the St. Joseph's School, Thekkumbhagam, under the same management. So the manager was asked to transfer one teacher from Kanjur School to the Thekkumbhagam School, re-entertain Joseph in the Kanjur School and relieve the juniormost teacher from the Thekkumbhagam School. The Manager refused to comply with the order.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes. But this Circular has been modified subsequently by the issue of the following one :—

"Transfer to teachers from one school to another under the same management may be allowed subject to the interests of the teachers being safeguarded."

(d) No. It is in keeping with the Circular cited above.

(e) No. It is only a departmental order.

(f) The question does not arise in view of the answer to section (e) of the question.

(g) The Director of Public Instruction is competent to issue departmental orders whenever and wherever the interests of teachers in aided schools have to be safeguarded.

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